

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

1. (Currently amended) An apparatus for delivering signatures to a finishing line, the apparatus comprising:
 - a frame;
 - a pair of hoppers supported by the frame, each hopper adapted to hold a stack of signatures;
 - a first feeder supported by the frame and adapted to extract one signature from the stack of signatures in the first hopper;
 - a second feeder supported by the frame and adapted to extract one signature from the stack of signatures in the second hopper;
 - a printer supported by the frame and adapted to print on the extracted signature from either the first or second hopper; and
 - a conveyor supported by the frame and adapted to transport the printed extracted signatures to the finishing line.
2. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein each hopper holds the stack of signatures in a horizontal orientation.
3. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the first and second feeders include a pickup drum.
4. (Original) The apparatus of claim 1 wherein the printer includes an ink jet printer.

5. (Original) A printer feeder for use with a finishing line comprising:
a frame;
a plurality of hopper feeders supported by the frame, each of the hopper feeders including a hopper to hold a stack of signatures and a feeder adapted to extract one signature from the respective stack of signatures;
a printer supported by the frame, the printer adapted to print on the extracted signatures;
and
a conveyor supported by the frame and adapted to transport the extracted printed signatures from the printer to the finishing line.
6. (Original) The printer feeder of claim 5 wherein the printer includes an ink jet printer.
7. (Original) The printer feeder of claim 5 wherein the plurality of hopper feeders is two hopper feeders.
8. (Original) The printer feeder of claim 5 and further including a controller programmed to selectively operate the hopper feeders.